

## House Resolution 1781

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## A RESOLUTION

1 Honoring the life of Rozier Dedwylder and expressing regret at his passing; and for other  
2 purposes.

3 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder was a gifted and community minded Columbus architect and  
4 one of the founders of Uptown Columbus; and

5 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder was an outstanding visionary and driving force behind the  
6 transformation of downtown Columbus; and

7 WHEREAS, one of the first significant projects to signal that something special was going  
8 on in downtown Columbus was Rozier Dedwylder's transformation of the historic Columbus  
9 Iron Works into a convention center; and

10 WHEREAS, his ability to blend the progressive and the historic is everywhere in that  
11 remarkable facility; and

12 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder oversaw and assisted in planning numerous prominent  
13 restorations and developments of downtown Columbus; and

14 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder personified respect for the best of the past whenever building  
15 for the future; and

16 WHEREAS, Rozier Dedwylder contributed extensively to the look, feel, and sense of  
17 community of Columbus; and

18 WHEREAS, those who knew Rozier Dedwylder lost a friend who exuded warm, gracious  
19 courtliness and Southern charm; and

1 WHEREAS, those who did not personally know Rozier Dedwylder lost a visionary, energetic  
2 leader who never tired of working to make his community and the State of Georgia a better  
3 and more beautiful place.

4 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that  
5 the members of this body honor the life of Rozier Dedwylder, express regret at his passing,  
6 and extend their most sincere condolences to his family and friends.

7 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized  
8 and directed to transmit an appropriate copy of this resolution to the family of Rozier  
9 Dedwylder.